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BY JULIA BORCHERTS, FOR REDEYE | METROMIX@TRIBUNE.COM » GET MORE EAT. DRINK. DO. IDEAS AT REDEYECHICAGO.COM

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COMPANY MAN

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REDEYE TIP OF THE DAY British dubstep duo **Nero** performs Saturday at the Congress Theater (2135 N. Milwaukee Ave.). Tickets: **congresschicago.com**

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M-RAHM SAYS BLUE CARTS ROLLING OUT CITYWIDE BY END OF 2013

Chicago Tribune

Mayor Emanuel pledged Thursday to bring blue cart recycling to every Chicago home that doesn't yet have it by the end of 2013, an elusive goal first promised by his predecessor in 2008.

Former Mayor Richard M. Daley was dubbed one of America's greenest mayors for repeatedly promising citywide recycling. Emanuel is seeking to grab a similar mantle by delivering what Daley could not. The new mayor is able to do so because of a tactic Daley introduced before leaving office: allowing partial or potentially full privatization by hiring companies to compete with city crews for the work.

On Thursday, Emanuel said he's finally going to end "a tale of two cities" in which about 261,000 households enjoy recycling pickup from blue bins in their alleys, while another 340,000 don't have the service.

The Emanuel administration isn't certain how much expanding the program to the rest of Chicago will cost, because city crews and the private companies still are competing for work, and there's no assurance either will do it for the same prices they now offer. The price tag was the hold-up under Daley.

Emanuel said the cost of recycling has been cut by $2.2 million in the six months since Waste Management and Metal Management Midwest started competing with city crews. The mayor said the savings will be used to bring bins to the remaining homes.

But it's unclear whether the city actually has saved $2.2 million in its budget because Streets and Sanitation workers taken off recycling duty during the "managed competition" were moved to other work in the department rather than being laid off. Those tasks include tree trimming, refuse collection and rodent control, city officials said.

Recycling crews have been reduced from 44 people to 32, according to the city. The remaining crews achieved efficiencies by having the driver and laborer meet at the same location, cutting time on the road. Routes and schedules also were redrawn and city workers start their day closer to their pickup sites.

Mayor Emanuel announces a continuation of competitive bidding for recycling services and expansion in competition to street marking and tree trimming services during a news conference Thursday at the Humboldt Park Boat House. MICHAEL TERCHA/TRIBUNE

A case of history recycling?

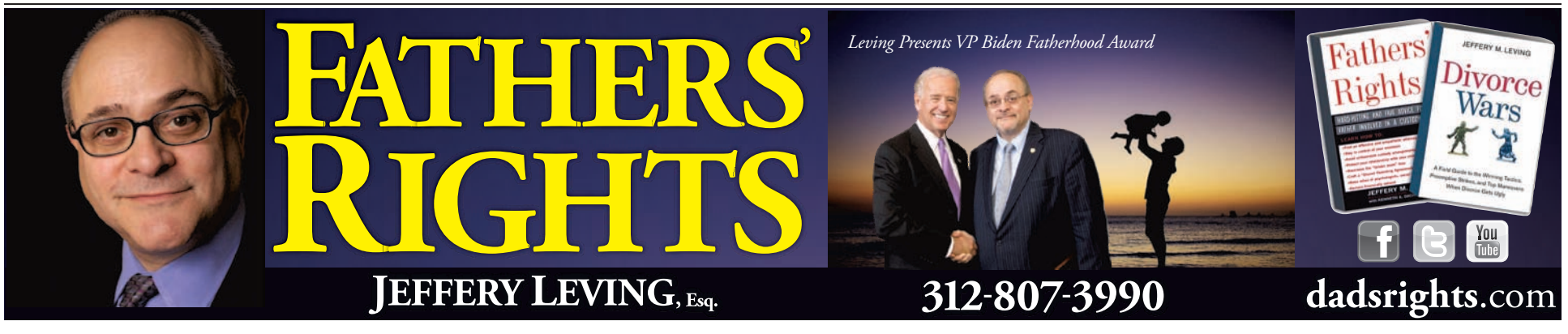
Chicago Tribune

Former Mayor Richard M. Daley moved to suburban-style bins starting in 2007, after the city spent more than a decade with a failed recycling program that required Chicago residents to put their recyclables in separate blue bags. When he introduced the bins, Daley said they would "eventually" be in all 50 wards, but he never got there due to cost.

Mayor Emanuel made his citywide expansion pledge in Humboldt Park while talking about the recent addition of about 20,000 new homes to recycling program in Wicker Park, Bucktown and Logan Square. Those residences will be serviced by Waste Management, Emanuel said.

Competition for recycling work was scheduled to end in June with Emanuel declaring a winner, but the mayor suggested Thursday he might continue it for the foreseeable future to keep the participants on their toes.

"What will happen, every six months [Streets and Sanitation Commissioner] Tom [Byrne] and his team will evaluate this, and then at one point, if somebody brings down the price even further, we'll rip that Band-Aid off," Emanuel said.



THE SETUP: We're finally coming down from our Valentine's Day sugar high, and now here comes Easter on Sunday. Time for a faceoff!

Best holiday candy: Easter or V-Day?

V-DAY

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When I was a little girl, I would wake up on Valentine's Day to find a big, heart-shaped chocolate box and two smaller ones on our dining room table. The bigger box was for Mom and the two smaller ones for my twin sister and me. I will take Valentine's Day candy over Easter candy anytime because it holds a special place in my heart.

How sad do you feel buying Valentine's Day candy for yourself? At least kind of sad. How sad do you feel buying Easter candy for yourself? Not at all, because it's too awesome for tears. Awesome, mainly, in its limited-time appearance. You can get Hershey's Kisses and Whitman's Samplers anytime. Cadbury Creme Eggs? One magical time of the year.

Sad? Valentine's Day is when chocolate or those Sweetheart candies printed with messages like "Kiss me" magically appear on your desk at work. What's not to like about FREE candy AND sweet-talk messages all wrapped into one delicious confection?

Maybe I'm just not into the emotional commitment. And let's get real: Those Sweetheart candies taste like antacids.

OK, Sweetheart candies do taste like broken dreams. Fine. But don't get me started on those chocolate Easter bunnies. Where is the joy in biting off ears and cute cottontails? I'll pass. I'm not a sadist.

When it comes to candy, everything is better at Easter. Reese's Cups get an upgrade to Reese's Eggs, M&M's get all dressed in pretty pastels and you can make Peeps explode in the microwave.

Pass me the box of Godiva chocolates, please. As for Reese's Cups and M&M's—guess what? Those same candies are available at Valentine's—just in different packaging. They taste the same. What's on the inside is what really matters.

If it's what's inside that matters, then I have just one word: Cadbury. Is there a greater joy than the smooth, not-too-sweet milk chocolate and crispy sugar shell of a bag of Cadbury Mini Eggs? No, there is not. High-quality sugar high right there.

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@J2thaJOY

Why you should follow: Though she wasn't selected as a new cast member for "Saturday Night Live"—yet, anyway—Chicagoan and Second City veteran Jessica Joy auditioned and was being considered for a featured player role. Catch this one while you can.

SAMPLE TWEET

"'I should wash these pills down with some liquor,'—all people who have hit rock bottom in movies."

@MrCraigRobinson

Why you should follow: Watch the Funny or Die video posted Thursday of White Sox fan Craig Robinson ("The Office," "Hot Tub Time Machine") and Cubs fan Nick Offerman ("Parks and Recreation") talking trash to each other on Opening Day. Then see if you need a reason to follow him. (Robinson tweeted a photo of him and Offerman on the set of the video shoot, by the way.)

SAMPLE TWEET

"It's a deadpan off!! Me and @nickofferman [not a real account?] at @new_era_caps commercial shoot."

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Glenwood Avenue Arts Fest

Fests face the music

For smaller street fairs, mandatory city permit fees may be hard to swallow

Chicago Tribune

Putting on a street festival, already a risky financial proposition for smaller organizations, will become even more pricey this summer in the wake of an ordinance aimed at ending permit-fee freebies for larger profitable events.

An ordinance unanimously approved Nov. 16 by the City Council says an alderman can no longer ask fellow aldermen to waive the several thousand dollars in fees associated with a fair or fest in his or her ward—something the City Council did for roughly 200 of the city's 700 such events last year.

"Historically, the city expended valuable resources in supporting street festivals, the organizers of which often represented profitable businesses and professional companies who were simply not paying their fair share," budget spokeswoman Kathleen Strand said.

MONEY MATTERS

The city of Chicago has not made a prediction about how much the new waiver ban will add to city coffers. But considering that last year about 200 festivals got breaks that, by organizers' estimates, usually ranged from $2,000 to $15,000 , the total amount the city will gain by changing the policy could be around $500,000.

Strand said the city is "working to ensure smaller community events are not unduly burdened by the expense of these fees," but no concrete plan is yet in place.

But as summer approaches and the bills come due, some nonprofit neighborhood groups are faulting the city for creating new costs for the smaller festivals that often are seen as tools for community development.

"I think sometimes when decisions are made downtown they're not fully informed on the consequences of stuff, and sometimes they're looking for revenue in all the wrong areas," said Roscoe Village Chamber of Commerce President Ron Kinn, who chairs the committee in charge of Roscoe Village Burger Fest. Last year the fest donated more than $8,000, divided among several groups including a public school, a youth baseball league and an animal rescue group. Kinn said festivals also are an important fundraising tool for neighborhood groups.

"A lot of not-for-profits survive based on what happens at the festival," he said. "Without the street festival for most chambers of commerce and most neighborhood associations, they don't exist."

Jury selection commences in Hudson case

Chicago Tribune

Some prospective jurors gasped Thursday when they realized they were being considered for the trial of William Balfour, accused in the slayings of Jennifer Hudson's family members.

The moment came as the judge announced the name of the case, People v. Balfour, then introduced Balfour and read the indictment.

Judge Charles Burns asked if anyone would be unable to decide the case without "sympathy, bias or prejudice." About 20 people stood up.

Balfour, 30 appeared wearing a white dress shirt, yellow tie and black dress shoes. His hair is newly cut short.

He is accused of fatally shooting Hudson's mother, brother and 7-year-old nephew in October 2008. At the time Balfour was the estranged husband of Hudson's sister, Julia.

Potential jurors filled out questionnaires Thursday and will be questioned by the judge starting Monday. The questionnaires seek background information, including their knowledge of Hudson's career, if they are fans of her work and whether they have followed the media coverage of the murders.

It could take two to three days to select 12 jurors and six alternates. But opening statements in the trial aren't scheduled until April 23 because of the judge's other commitments.

EXPRESS LINES

» A former railroad police officer who was shot more than two dozen times during a shootout with police in 2005 was sentenced to 40 years in prison Thursday.

» Tribune Co. and DirecTV reached a deal Wednesday night on retransmission fees, ending a four-day blackout that cut off programming to millions of subscribers amid an increasingly acrimonious negotiation process.
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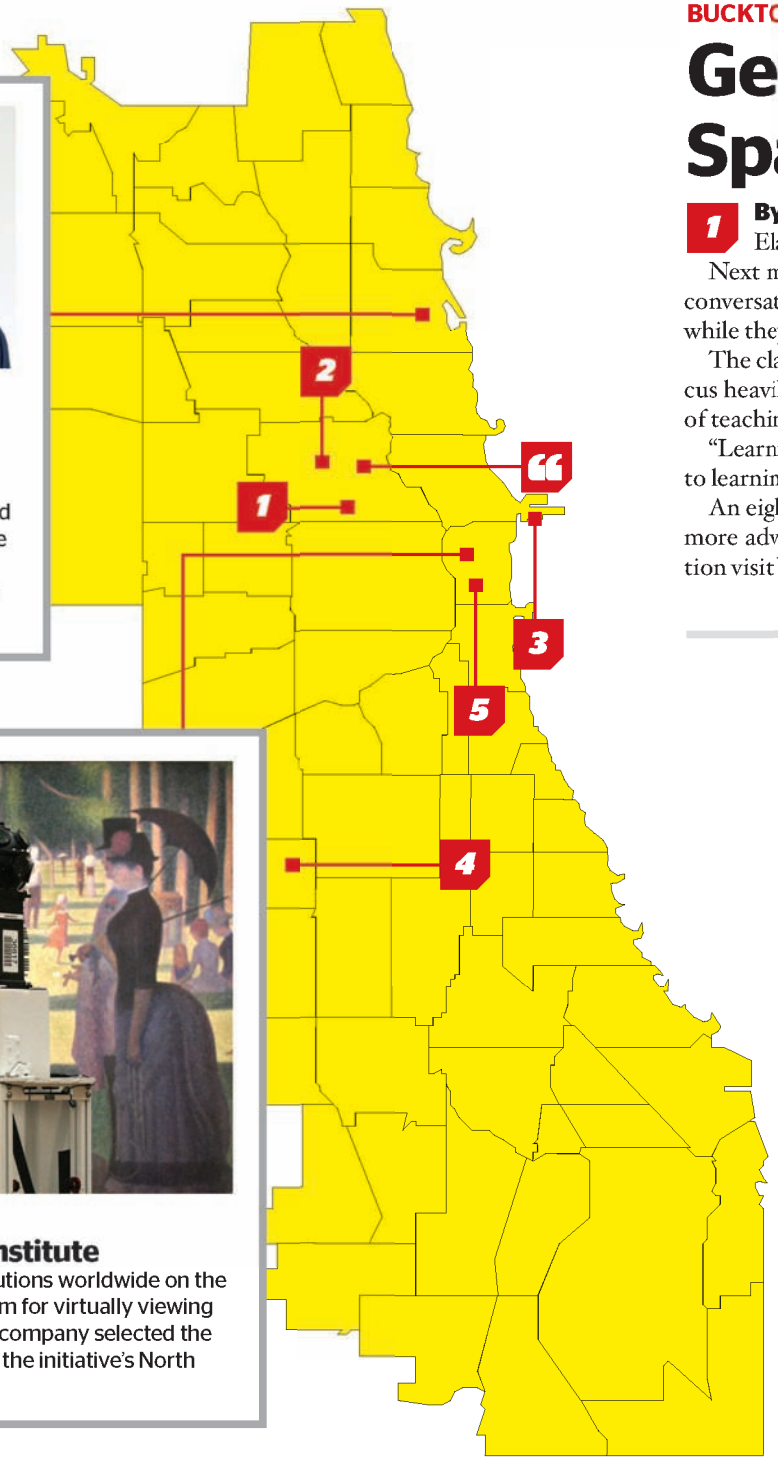
6 BOYSTOWN
Bravo brass ringing in anniversary
Bravo exec Andy Cohen, the host of "Watch What Happens Live," and singer K.D. Lang will help celebrate the Center on Halsted's fifth anniversary May 12 at a gala to be held in the Loop's Harris Theater.

7 LOOP
Google goes to Art Institute
Google has partnered with 151 institutions worldwide on the Google Art Project, an online platform for virtually viewing artwork and museum galleries. The company selected the Art Institute of Chicago this week as the initiative's North American launch site.



BUCKTOWN

Get Lucky with some Spanish and spirits

1 **By Taylor Ervin** | REDEYE

Elaine Winer's Spanish class is not your typical high school snooze fest.

Next month, the former high school teacher will launch an eight-week series of conversational Spanish classes that will let students knock back a few cold ones while they learn.

The classes will be held in the backroom of Club Lucky in Bucktown and will focus heavily on storytelling and physical gestures. Winer has learned through years of teaching that students simply learn better when they are relaxed.

"Learning is a social activity, and if you are more relaxed your brain is more open to learning," Winer said.

An eight-week class for beginners will meet every Tuesday starting May 8, and a more advanced class will meet Wednesdays beginning May 9. For more information visit Winer's website at **elenachicago.com**. Classes cost around $240.

2 WICKER PARK
Yogurt store suspect arrested
A frozen yogurt store worker was burned on the arm when a "furious" customer threw hot caramel on him, but he later overheard the woman bragging about it at a Wicker Park Blue Line station and summoned police who arrested her, officials said.

3 NAVY PIER
No bombs found with notes
Two envelopes with notes inside claiming a bomb was going to explode were found this week aboard the Spirit of Chicago cruise vessel at Navy Pier. No bombs were found and nothing detonated.

4 GAGE PARK
$6 million pot bust
Six million dollars' worth of marijuana and $5,000 in cash were found this week inside a Gage Park home on the Southwest Side. The stash was found in a home on the 5800 block of South Spaulding Avenue, according to a statement from Police News Affairs.

5 CITY HALL
Chicago tour office expands abroad
Chicago will broaden its efforts to attract international tourists by opening sales offices in Brazil, Germany and Japan this year, Mayor Emanuel announced Thursday. The mayor announced the latest additions at the annual meeting of the Chicago Convention & Tourism Bureau.

QUOTABLE

"There's more means to be green every year, so [the festival] is always growing and changing."

—**Tom Neubauer**, producer of the Green Music Festival, scheduled for June 23-24 in Wicker Park

FYI FOR RENTERS

4.9 PERCENT
The apartment vacancy rate in the first quarter fell to its lowest level in more than a decade, and rents posted their biggest jump in four years, according to real estate research firm Reis Inc. The national vacancy rate fell 0.30 percentage points. REUTERS

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1 Coast Guard to sink ghost ship

The U.S. Coast Guard has deployed a ship to sink a fishing trawler that was swept away more than a year ago by the tsunami off the coast of Japan and is now adrift near Alaska. CNN PHOTO

2 U.K. news channel admits email hacks

U.K. news channel Sky News said Thursday it had authorized its journalists to hack illegally into the email of individual members of the public on two occasions. John Ryley, head of Sky News, said the instances involved suspected criminal activity.

3 Ranting pilot will undergo evaluation

A federal judge in Texas has ordered the JetBlue Airways pilot accused of disrupting a Las Vegas-bound New York flight with rants about religion and terrorists to undergo a psychiatric exam.

4 Manson's parole hearing nears

After 11 failed bids for freedom, notorious serial killer Charles Manson, now 77, is up for parole Wednesday in L.A. The parole board rejected his bid in 2007, saying Manson "continues to pose an unreasonable danger to others and may still bring harm to anyone he would come in contact with."

5 No injuries after nuclear plant fire

A fire broke out inside the reactor building at a nuclear power plant on France's northern coast, but there were no injuries or release of radiation, French utility EDF reported Thursday.

'Kony 2012' gets sequel treatment

The anti-Kony group Invisible Children released a new video on Thursday as a follow-up to the viral "Kony 2012" film aimed at waking up the world to atrocities committed by Ugandan rebel leader Joseph Kony and his Lord's Resistance Army.

Santorum embraces the haters

6 **WASHINGTON** "Get out Rick," a growing Republican chorus says. "Forget it," responds Rick Santorum to the calls to drop his increasingly long-shot bid for the GOP presidential nomination.

The pressure to withdraw is actually incentive for Santorum to stay in the race.

It keeps the media spotlight on him and bolsters the image he constantly projects of himself as the lone conservative battling the GOP establishment's desire for the more moderate Mitt Romney to face President Obama in November.

Both elements are vital to the former U.S. senator from Pennsylvania, who has seen his campaign rise from shoestring status to become the main conservative challenge to Romney's front-running bid.

While primary results and the delegate count work against him, Santorum can exploit his underdog status by continuing to hammer themes at the heart of his campaign—that only a true conservative can beat Obama and that Romney lacks conservative principles valued by Tea Party supporters and Christian evangelicals who make up Santorum's base.

"The more the establishment tries to force [Santorum] out of the race, the stronger his argument is with the grassroots that the establishment is ganging up on him and being unfair," said Darrell West, vice president and director of governance studies at the Brookings Institution. "He can play to voter suspicions that national leaders don't have their best interests at heart."

Santorum has made light of the growing calls to get out, trying to turn the issue to his advantage.

"I think I've enjoyed about eight months of people saying that," he said Wednesday while campaigning in Pennsylvania. "Everyone has been asking me, from the days I was traveling around in the truck in Iowa, to get out of the race. I've never been the party establishment's candidate. And that holds true to today."

MEANWHILE, IN ROMNEYVILLE ...

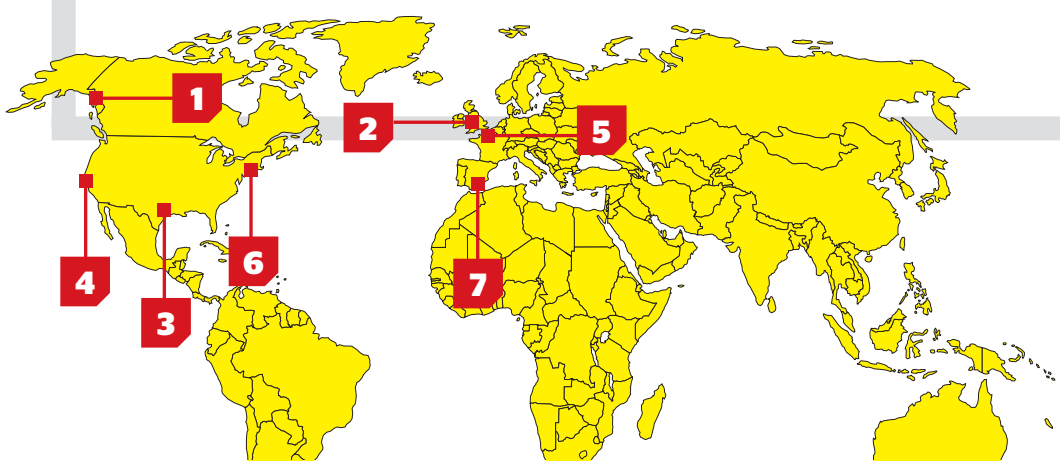
Sen. Marco Rubio of Florida, who has been a favorite of many to join Mitt Romney on the GOP ticket, dismissed such speculation Wednesday. "I'm not going to be the vice president," the senator said in Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.

7 Members of the Spanish Legion carry a statue of the Christ of the Good Death to the Santo Domingo de Guzman Church in Malaga during a Holy Week procession Thursday. GETTY IMAGES

Protesters outside Augusta National Golf Club.

"The president's answer is yes, he believes women should be admitted."

—White House press secretary **Jay Carney**, giving President Obama's position on Augusta National Golf Club's men-only policy. The Georgia club is hosting the Masters tournament this week. AP FILE PHOTO



THE DIGIT

$900,000

That was the winning bid to buy the town of Buford, Wyo., at auction Thursday, according to The Associated Press. The winning bidders, two unidentified Vietnamese men, will get a gas station, a schoolhouse, 10 acres of land, and a three-bedroom home.

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50 percent: Percentage of 18- to 34-year-olds who say they have taken a job they didn't want in order to pay the bills, according to the Pew Research Center.

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YOUNG MONEY

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So you hate your cellphone with a passion so fiery it could evaporate Lake Michigan.

Or maybe you want to step into the 21st century and finally get a smartphone. Maybe you lost your job and you can't afford your fancy data plan anymore.

Maybe you just can't be tied down, man. Maybe you want to be a rolling stone—a rolling stone with roaming minutes.

Whatever the reason, you want to get out of your cellphone contract without having to sell your car to pay early-termination fees.

Well, you're not alone. And that can work for you or against you.

Turns out, wireless companies are anticipating that everyone might hate them. That's the whole point of locking you into a contract: It will take more than a year before you're the least bit profitable to a service provider. They don't want you to leave before that. They make it really hard, and really expensive, to do so ... which just makes everyone want to that much more.

"Everyone seems to think their cellphone company is the worst," said Chris Morran, deputy editor at the advocacy blog Consumerist. "No matter who we write about, everyone hates them."

So there's the caveat before I let you in on deep dark contract-busting secrets: Make sure you're not giving in to a grass-is-always-greener mentality.

"A lot of [people] are going from the frying pan into the fire," Morran said. "Or from the frying pan into another frying pan."

First, Morran says, see if you can't bluff your way into a better deal with your current provider. "If you get the right person and say 'I don't care, I'll eat the fee,' sometimes you'll get a good retention specialist who will get you a better rate or an earlier upgrade," he said.

But if you've got your heart set on switching, you do have a few options.

You've got to try to be quick.

Most contracts give you a window, sometimes as much as 30 days, during which you can dump your plan, no questions asked. You'll only have to pay for the time you've already used.

If you're too far gone for that, try scanning the fine print. Some wireless agreements state that the contract is void if you can prove it has changed in a way that affects you negatively. Texting rates went up a few cents? Fantastic. There's your out.

MEGAN CREPEAU IS A REDEYE SPECIAL CONTRIBUTOR. SHE'S A 20-SOMETHING COLLEGE GRAD NAVIGATING THIS DUMPY JOB MARKET JUST LIKE THE REST OF US.

HOUSE PARTIES

CNN

Unemployment rates may be falling, but the economy continues to hit wallets hard, leading more and more people to decide living with Grandma, Mom and Dad might not be so hellish after all. Here are some recent stats about the reasons why multiple generations decide to live under one roof.

FAMILY MATTERS

As of 2010, 4.4 million U.S. homes had three generations or more under one roof, a 15 percent increase from 3.8 million households two years earlier, according to the latest data available from the Census Bureau.

POVERTY RATES

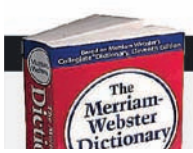
The Pew Research Center reported that the poverty rate among those who live in multigenerational homes was 11.5 percent in 2009 (the most recent data available), compared with 14.6 percent for those who didn't live with adults other than their spouse or partner.

DOUBLED UP

The census reported that "doubled-up households," those including at least one extra adult not enrolled in school and not a spouse or partner, grew 10.7 percent to 21.8 million households in spring 2011, up from 19.7 million households four years earlier.

BACK TO THE NEST

Many of doubled-up homes included adult kids who flew back to the nest after not being able to find a job. The number of 25- to 34-year-olds living with their folks jumped by more than 25 percent between 2001 and 2007, the census reported.



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Oh, the possibilities. With a protest planned Wednesday for the Occupy National Day of Action for Public Transportation (see Going Public on Chat Room for more info), we wanted to know: If you launched your own Occupy CTA campaign, what would be on your list of demands? Readers on Facebook and Twitter responded with these. TRIBUNE FILE PHOTOS

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Washington 2, Cubs 1

The Cubs' Alfonso Soriano is thrown out trying to steal third as Washington's Ryan Zimmerman applies the tag during the fourth inning Thursday. PHIL VELASQUEZ/TRIBUNE

FIELD DAY

Cubs' loss can't ruin festive opener at Wrigley

RedEye

A new Cubs season kicked off Thursday, but with the same old results.

Kerry Wood and Carlos Marmol combined to ruin a stellar outing from starter Ryan Dempster, allowing the tying and go-ahead runs in the eighth and ninth in a 2-1 loss to Washington.

But Opening Day at Wrigley Field was about more than just the game. It was about the hope of a new era, the celebration of another season and getting reacquainted with the Friendly Confines after a winter of refurbishment.

From Bill Murray singing during the seventh-inning stretch to the unveiling of a modern video board in right field, Thursday's game felt like footnote to the overall festivities.

Nick Fulton, 25 (left), and Tom Brooks, 25, both of Rockford, warm up outside Wrigley with Everclear cider while they wait in line for bleacher tickets to the Cubs' home opener Thursday. MICHAEL TERCHA/TRIBUNE

Theo Epstein takes questions from the media Thursday at Wrigley Field. PHIL VELASQUEZ/TRIBUNE

Cubs fans watch the eighth inning Thursday. BRIAN CASSELLA/TRIBUNE

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1 Opening the baseball season on the road is like ...	... kissing your half-sister.	... the best way to get ahead.	... winning the lottery ... in Greece.	... getting socks on Christmas morning.	... could be really cool depending on the quality of road skanks.
2 What's your prediction for the White Sox this season?	Unmitigated disaster the first half, followed by mitigated disaster the second half.	Robin Ventura will be a lot more understanding than Ozzie ... at least to fans.	About 70 wins and an unfortunate scandal involving Soxman and a Comiskey Dog.	60-102, attendance under 1.6M, everyone hates everyone.	They will quietly lose 180 games.
3 What do you think of the additions to Wrigley Field?	Love them, especially Theo Epstein, Jed Hoyer and Jason McLeod.	Stamp of approval: Cubs fans have a new Target to shoot for.	It's fine. Still looks classic. Just don't let it get to Soldier-Field-The-Aliens-Have-Landed-On-The-Parthenon level.	I think the alligator moat in left field is a nice throwback touch.	Very, very pleasing. Almost makes you forget the crap team playing there.
4 What was your favorite moment of the Blackhawks' regular season?	The time Andrew Shaw let himself get sent to the minors to prove he's human. #ShawFacts	When they clinched each other. Total broment.	That Hawks fan who hit on reporter Sarah Kustok on live TV. Shot on goal, sir, shot on goal.	Comeback win against the Blues on March 13. I jumped around like a kid.	Duncan Keith leveling Daniel Sedin. It happens.
5 Why does Fire coach Frank Klopas think the team's schedule is "crazy"?	They open the season in 1972.	I can't imagine Louisville will be "friendly" this week.	Beats me. I have a better chance of understanding tax law than figuring out an MLS schedule.	He's right: that Jupiter-Saturn-Neptune road trip is a killer.	I reviewed the schedule and I have no idea.

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Sadly, it's here. The 2012 Major League Baseball season preview, Chicago edition.

Look, no sugarcoating here, so let's break it down. This is going to be awful on many levels. Bad up north, bad down south.

Cubs first. I'm inclined to go easy on these guys for attempting the impossible. Yes, they are overhauling the entire franchise, gutting it from top to bottom, flushing out all the bad attitudes, bad karma and bad talent that don't belong.

People, this is a monumental job. It's the athletic equivalent of overhauling the U.S. Tax Code, and just as painful. So when something goes wrong this year—and they will—I will nod and say "It's a process."

In other words, wake me in five years because I'm seeing no one, and by that I mean not a soul on this team, who excites me. Starlin Castro—too flighty. Alfonso Soriano—I was tired of him four years ago! Plus, he's like 45! David DeJesus—sorry, the last Cub named DeJesus was Ivan and we traded him for Ryne Sandberg. For a reason.

Pitchers. My god. Ryan Dempster. Good guy. A No. 1 starter? Not over the long haul. Matt Garza, yeah, I like him, but I'm not seeing any difference-makers here.

Here's the best bet: Good scouting, coaching, drafting and development take hold—in four years. Like I said, wake me when it's over.

A similar colonoscopy is taking place with the Sox. Ay, yay yay.

Robin Ventura. I always liked him. How he got this job, I have no idea. And why would he want it? This is the biggest collection of "maybe, remember when, he used to, I wonder if, that one time, he possibly could be, if this goes right, three years ago he did ..." In other words, "God I hope so!"

Man, oh, man. I think we're going to need four years with this one as well. Alex Rios: Please come back. Gordon Beckham: Same. Adam Dunn: Ditto. Dayan Viciedo: We're still waiting. Alexei Ramirez: The season actually starts in April. Hey, Paulie: Thank you, thank you for staying and offering sanity and class.

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Opening Day at Wrigley Field brought out throngs of optimistic fans in their Cubbie blues, and RedEye was there. We hit the streets and asked some of them about their fashion inspirations.

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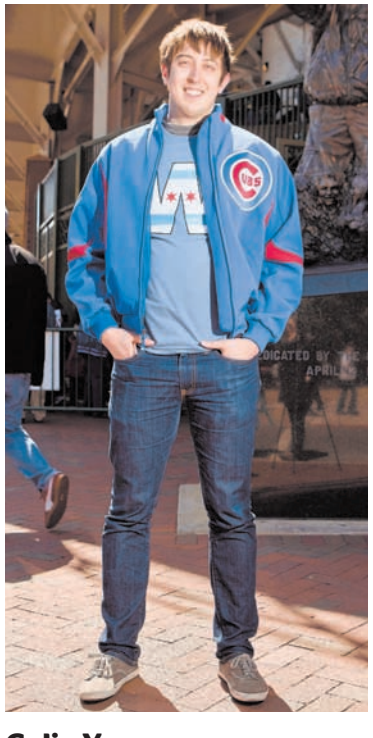

Colin Young
21, Ukrainian Village
Any lucky clothes or items? Nope
Predict the score of today's game. 4-3 Cubs

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22, Wrigleyville
Any lucky clothes or items? My Geovany Soto jersey
Predict the score of today's game. 4-0 Cubs

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23, south suburbs

Any lucky clothes or items? My jersey
Predict the score of today's game. Cubs win!

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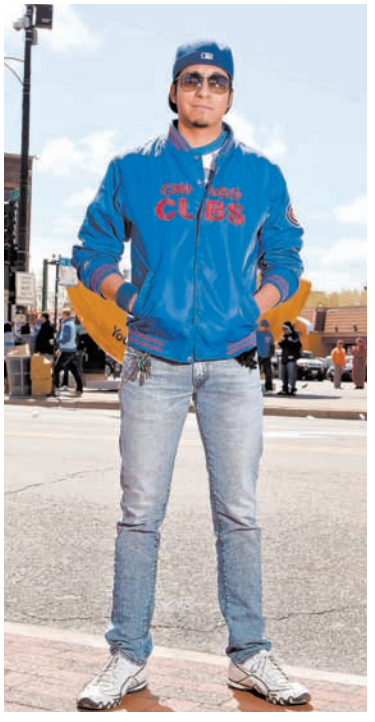

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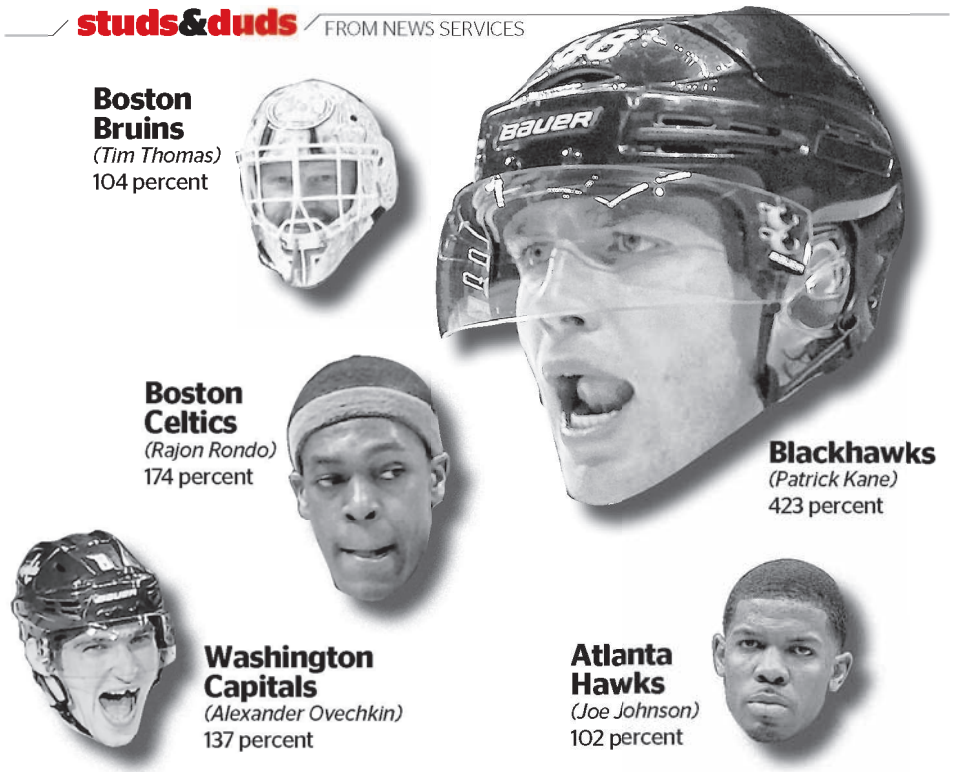

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The Orlando Magic just can't win—off the court. First it was Dwight Howard trade watch, now it's Howard vs. coach Stan Van Gundy (left). Van Gundy told reporters Thursday he knows center Howard has asked for the franchise to fire him, as was reported Wednesday. "I was told it was true by people in our management right from the top," Van Gundy said. Howard, though, says it's not true. Stay tuned for more "As the Magic Turns."

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Jason Biggs and Seann William Scott of "American Reunion"
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A full-frontal comedic assault by Jason Biggs and Seann William Scott

'Reunion' exposed

By Matt Pais | REDEYE

"I was like, 'Guys, my penis!' " Jason Biggs says. "I need my penis in the movie!"

That's how the "American Reunion" star said he reacted when he feared that a full-frontal idea wouldn't make it into the movie, opening Friday. Not only did the actor get his wish, but that's about all the introduction you need to a ridiculous, raunchy interview with Biggs, 33, and Seann William Scott, 35, who sat down at the Peninsula Hotel to talk about reprising Jim and Stifler for a sequel that's much, much funnier than "American Pie 2" and "American Wedding." And maybe even the original.

MORE ON 'REUNION' » Social media haven't killed reunions, but they have added a wrinkle. **PAGE 27** » Matt Pais gives "American Reunion" 3½ stars. **PAGE 28**

Were you guys able to go out in Chicago last night after introducing the movie?
Jason Biggs: I haven't gone to sleep yet.
Seann William Scott: I had some hookers to my room.
JB: Dude, I didn't realize: You can get some really good, pure cocaine here.
SWS: Colombian.
JB: It's pretty impressive.

In a lot of ways the movie is about how people do or don't change between 18 and 31. How much do you think the average person changes during that time, and what's something you look back on about yourself and laugh?
SWS: Ahh. I don't know jack [bleep] about anything.
JB: [Clapping.] Good answer! Good answer!
SWS: Just from my experience [I] was like 27 when I started to go, "Wow, I didn't know anything at 24 or 25." And all of a sudden I was 28 going, "I didn't know anything at 27." It kept happening. I was just growing up a little bit, incrementally.
JB: I still believed in Santa at 18.
SWS: What, there's no Santa Claus?
JB: Oh, God, this is awkward. This is really awkward.
SWS: Don't joke! Keep going, keep going. You're [bleeping] joking. But go ahead.
JB: OK. I'm sorry. There is still Santa. Santa still exists.
SWS: Obviously.
JB: Obviously.
SWS: I bet you at 18 you were probably like, "Who needs to wear a condom?" Now you're like—well, not now, but before you got married you were like, "[Bleepin] put a jimmy on."
JB: Actually no, I have never worn a condom in my life.
SWS: What are they?
JB: What's a condom?
SWS: They're bull[bleep].
JB: What is a condom?
SWS: It's a way ... to ...
JB: [Laughs.] Abort! Abort! Abort! No, listen, I've realized for me I've changed so much in so many ways. Obviously, 18 to 31.
SWS: You look drastically different. [Laughs.]
JB: It's a great thing. How psyched am I? All of us. Everyone keeps talking to us going, "Man, you guys haven't aged a bit." I'm like, "Thank you. That's great!" Obviously. But have you seen the end credits of the movie?
SWS: Oh my gosh.
JB: Because if you just sit a minute with the [photos during the] end credits of the film ... Yeah, we've aged a little bit. Of course we have; that was 13 years ago. I also have a full—my bush is totally gray.
SWS: Really? It's not salt and pepper?
JB: Fully gray. It was salt and pepper during "American Pie 3." And now it is fully gray. When I don't shave it that is. Usually I'm bald like a baby's behind.
SWS: You should Just For Men that [bleep] into a [bleeping] zebra stripe.
JB: Maybe I should zebra stripe it. And then shave it so it's like a topiary of an actual zebra.
SWS: That would be awesome.

The boys of "American Reunion" appear together again, nearly a decade later.

MORE ONLINE
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It's so good you offered that on your own. I was just about to ask—
JB: What animal shapes do we shave our pubic hair into?

Do you feel like you're talking about your penis more than usual or about the same?
SWS: You've been talking about your [penis] a lot in this movie dude.
JB: I've been talking about my penis a lot.
SWS: I never thought I'd be talking about your [penis] as much—
JB: Yes you did.
SWS: Yeah, I guess I did.
JB: You never thought you'd have permission to talk about my [penis] as much as you do.

You guys have both made comments about doing anything for comedy as long as it's funny. Who do you think has gone further in this series for a laugh?
SWS: This guy. I think this guy. I just got peed on. I ate dog [bleep].
JB: That's pretty big.
SWS: Yeah, but you show your [penis] in the movie.
JB: That's very big. You know what I mean.
SWS: Jason Biggs' big.
JB: Yeah, I think the two of us are both in agreement that if it makes sense within the context of the film and it's something that the character would do believably, we'll go for it. And at this point in the game we have the confidence of people who have done it and it's worked. During the first movie, I remember showing up for the pie scene that day, and already having read the script and worked with the cast for a couple weeks thinking, "Oh, this is funny." I felt confident. I was excited about the scene. I had read it, thought it was hilarious, I was psyched I was going to be the guy that got to do it. But you show up nevertheless that day and we didn't know if anyone was going to see this movie.
SWS: Did you have any idea that they would take it as far as they would? [With the thrusting into the pie?]
JB: We didn't know how far it was going to go. It was a lot. But then the movie comes out, the movie succeeds, that scene in particular, people respond to, and so now as we go on with the franchise you have the confidence of, "Oh, those scenes work. Audiences expect that kind of thing."

So were you less nervous this time, even without the pie in front of you?
JB: Absolutely. Cut to 13 years later, I was all for it. The truth is now at this point too, the bar has been set pretty high and the real challenge was not only finding the pie scene but finding the scene that would credibly work for the characters at this stage in their lives. Some of the stuff that we did in the earlier films just wouldn't work now. They wouldn't be believable. Frankly, some of it would be illegal. In fact maybe showing my penis was illegal too. In some countries.
SWS: It's just so small.
JB: So yeah, when we talked about this scene and me showing my junk, A. I thought it was hilarious and, 2. I was like, "This works. I believe it. I buy it for the character; I think it would be great." And this is the scene I was looking for. I kept pushing for this scene. In earlier drafts we didn't have this scene ... and so it finally happened and I felt like it worked for that scene that we needed. And you've got Stifler [pooping] in a cooler.

Seann didn't go to his reunion. Jason, did you?
JB: I went to mine. I just threw mine, a couple of weeks ago in fact. Tied into the movie. It went great. We don't have any crazy stories from it. The whole thing was kind of crazy. We opened it up. My kindergarten teacher was there. My kindergarten music teacher and my librarian. It was crazy. And they saw the movie too. My first-grade music teacher saw my penis.
SWS: That's really weird.
JB: Again!

Did she comment on that specifically?
JB: Well, just on how much it's changed over the years. I thought that was sweet.
SWS: Regressed. Your penis has regressed.

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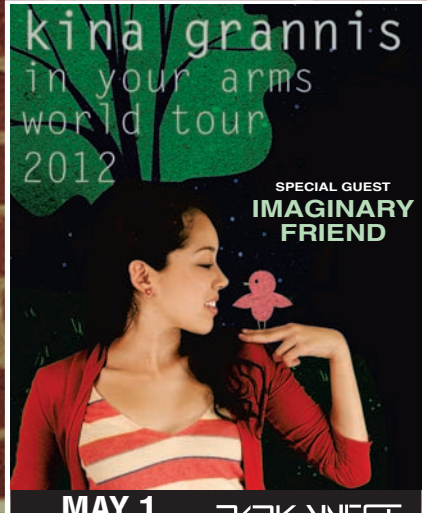

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Reunion ruiner?

Facebook, Twitter and the like haven't killed reunions yet, but they have added a new wrinkle

Jason Biggs (from left), Thomas Ian Nicholas, Chris Klein and Eddie Kaye Tomas are together again in 'American Reunion.'

By Tony Peregrin
FOR REDEYE

Who got fat? Who came out? Who got divorced or married (or divorced and married)?

Those sorts of questions make high school and college reunions irresistible. But in an era of digital photo albums and Facebook status updates, has the idea of in-person reunions become as appealing as the prospect of watered-down drinks served in a dimly lit gymnasium?

Not according to Cyndi Clamp, president of the National Association of Reunion Managers, who says there is no clear correlation between Facebook participation and reunion attendance. Any way you slice it, she says, the nostalgia associated with reunions—currently embodied by Stifler and the rest of the "American Pie" gang in the new $50 million flick "American Reunion"—continues to have a firm hold on pop culture.

"Facebook is not real life," Clamp said. "What we share on Facebook may be real and honest, but we're also calculating on what we share and how we share it. Facebook does not replace or ruin your high school reunion."

Schools across the country that use professional reunion managers have seen attendance remain relatively steady over the past decade, Clamp said. The average attendance rate for a high school reunion is about 25 percent.

"The average fluctuates a bit each year, but not enough to show any conclusive evidence that social media has more or less of an impact on attendance than the economy or any other factor," Clamp said.

Lauren Martinez, 28, a public affairs manager in the finance industry, organized her Lane Tech High School 10-year reunion in 2011, and said Facebook and other online networking tools were helpful in locating classmates. According to Martinez and the school's alumni office, her class was the first in the North Side school's history to rely 100 percent on online social networking to publicize the reunion. Nevertheless, turnout was less than the national average.

"We had numerous people tell us that they weren't interested in attending because they could already see what everyone was up to on Facebook," said Martinez, of Roscoe Village. "It definitely became a challenge to try and change their minds."

Is Seann William Scott the same Stifler years later?

About 150 of the 1,000 people in her graduating class attended the reunion, which was held at a Holiday Inn in Skokie.

Dave Awl, the Chicago-based author of "Facebook Me! A Guide to Socializing, Sharing, and Promoting on Facebook," said the great advantage of Facebook is that it allows users to make more informed decisions about whom they want to spend time with offline.

"Getting together in person lets you get into different kinds of conversations than you can on Facebook," Awl said. "And you know, hugging is nice; so is dancing or telling old stories over late-night diner food. As far as reunions go, if you still like a classmate based on your Facebook interactions, then you'll likely be just as eager, or more so, to hang out with them in person."

For Amanda Rahn, 35, a curriculum manager in the education industry, face-to-face contact and reuniting with old friends isn't a top priority. "I've been lucky to make friends that I can see once a year and feel like we just saw each other the week before. I also work from home, which means most of my correspondence is via email and text messaging—so maybe I've gotten used to not seeing people? I know that when I do it's nice, but it's not a necessity like it used to be," said Rahn, a Logan Square resident who attended her 10-year high school reunion in Naperville in 2004.

"I definitely think that social networking sites such as Facebook helped with starting conversations at the reunion," Martinez said. "For a good portion of attendees, I knew who was married and had kids, who had moved away, and where people were working. There were quite a few instances when I was talking to someone and I brought up something I had seen on Facebook to keep the conversation going."

For Christine Perez, 30, a corporate meeting/conference planner, bonding with old classmates doesn't involve Facebook stalking or attending high school reunions.

"Face-to-face connection is important with those you really care about—and I mostly get a chance to do that when there is a friend getting married and I get to reconnect with that group of friends who attend," Perez said. "It's the best, because we usually get to chat over dinner and then dance the night away like the good old days."

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Stifler (Seann William Scott, left) and Jim (Jason Biggs) do a few shots in "American Reunion." MCT

'Pie' is better with age

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American Reunion *R*

Let's get the obvious out of the way:

» Tara Reid probably didn't have to clear her schedule to return to the "American Pie" franchise.

» "American Pie 2" stunk, and "American Wedding" wasn't much better.

» Perhaps no one would care if they never saw the Shermanator again.

Here's the whopping surprise: "American Reunion" wraps up the series fittingly and funnily. You know that affliction most comedies have, where they stop being hilarious with about 25 minutes left? In "American Reunion," the fourth and best "American" installment, writers-directors Jon Hurwitz and Hayden Schlossberg (writers of all three "Harold and Kumar" movies) have cured that problem. The laughs don't stop.

Reconnecting in Michigan for their 13th reunion (no one coordinated the 10-year celebration for East Great Falls High), the crew returns older but not much wiser. Jim (Jason Biggs), now raising a 2-year-old with wife Michelle (Alyson Hannigan), continues to rack up a decade's worth of awkward sexual experiences every week. Kevin (Thomas Ian Nicholas) suffers the emasculation of a wife fixated on girly TV garbage. TV star Oz (Chris Klein) wonders why he's not happier with his stunning girlfriend (Katrina Bowden). Estranged Finch (Eddie Kaye Thomas) emerges from the abyss as a world traveler packed with exotic stories. And Stifler (Seann William Scott) seems like the same old loudmouth, but he's actually a guy trying to ignore the disappointments of a wild youth that has turned into a mundane adulthood as a temp.

There are only so many times we need to see Jim get caught masturbating or wearing a goofy outfit or whatever. "American Reunion" maintains the series' broad approach that felt fresh in '99 but a bit outdated today. Yet save for the 5 millionth Chumbawumba joke recorded in the past few years, "Reunion" doesn't always settle for the easiest, dumbest laugh. Besides being honest about teen sexuality and more mature about the crises of 30-somethings than "Friends with Kids," this incredibly nostalgic movie also cranks out line after line that invite the brain to take time off and just enjoy something really, really funny.

Fortunately, part four still leaves room for the series' foundation: An unexpectedly moving document of male friendship seen through the shenanigans that solidify bonds. Because—and don't act like this doesn't apply to you—no one wants to do very unsanitary things to a rival's cooler without their boys there for support.

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Jiro Dreams of Sushi *PG*

Like many of us, Jiro Oro possesses an intense love of sushi. Unlike the rest of us, the award-winning Japanese chef knows firsthand the value of massaging an octopus for 40-50 minutes to give it a soft texture. I mean, when I massage an octopus, it's just for my own relaxation.

In "Jiro Dreams of Sushi," this 85-year-old master, the oldest chef to earn a three-star Michelin rating, demonstrates a formula for success through the unrelenting pursuit of perfection. Jiro inspires his disciples, consisting of his sons and other aspiring sushi masterminds, because nothing less than meticulous preparation and peak flavor will suffice. This man, who's worked with sushi for 75 years and misses work only for national holidays and funerals, exists as a model for the kind of disciplined, passionate life's work everyone should be so lucky to find and hold onto.

Director David Gelb's documentary remains a certain distance from the intricacies of what makes Jiro's techniques and sushi so much better than anyone else's, and ultimately the wisdom that comes from long-developed intuition struggles to come through on film. Yet the movie captures the dedication Jiro developed as a child and passed along to his kids, spending more time with them at the restaurant (which serves only sushi) than he ever did at home. For those of us who likely will never taste Jiro's work, "Jiro Dreams of Sushi" serves as an affectionate introduction to the man and an increased impatience that the technology doesn't yet exist to eat items off the screen.

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- **The Hunger Games** (PG–13) ◆ 11:35,12:20,2:45,3:35, 6:00,6:50,9:20,10:05
- **Mirror Mirror** (PG) ◆ 11:15,1:55,4:40,7:10,9:50
- **American Reunion** (R) 10:55,1:45,4:30,7:20,10:10
- **Titanic 3D** (PG–13) 11:05,3:15,7:30
- **Wrath of the Titans** (PG–13) 11:45,2:20,5:05
- **Dr. Seuss' the Lorax 3D** (PG) 10:50,3:25,8:00
- **Dr. Seuss' the Lorax** (PG) 1:10,5:45,10:15
- **21 Jump Street** (R) 11:25,2:05,4:50,7:40,10:20

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- **Jiro Dreams of Sushi** (PG) 2:15,4:25,7:15,9:30
- **Footnote** (PG) 2:15,4:50,7:20,9:45
- **Salmon Fishing in the Yemen** (PG–13) 2:05,4:40,7:15,9:50
- **The Deep Blue Sea** (R) 2:10,4:45,7:30,10:00
- **Jeff, Who Lives at Home** (R) 2:20,4:20,7:00,9:50
- **Delicacy** (PG–13) 2:00,7:35
- **Goon** (R) 4:30,9:55
- **The Raid: Redemption** (R) 2:25,5:00,7:40,10:05

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- **The Three Stooges** (PG) Advance Tickets Available
- **Marvel's the Avengers** (NR) Advance Tickets Available
- **Titanic 3D** (PG–13) 12:10,4:30,8:45
- **Titanic 3D** (PG–13) 11:15,3:50,8:15
- **Wrath of the Titans 3D** (PG–13) 11:55,1:15,2:30,4:00, 5:05,6:40,7:50,9:15,10:30
- **Wrath of the Titans** (PG–13) 12:30,3:05,6:00,8:55
- **Mirror Mirror** (PG) 3:45,6:50,9:40
- **Mirror Mirror** (PG) (Open captioned) 1:00
- **The Hunger Games** (PG–13) 11:20,12:00,12:35,2:35, 3:10,3:55,5:40,6:35,7:20,8:50,10:05,11:05
- **21 Jump Street** (R) 12:50,3:30,6:20,9:30
- **Dr. Seuss' the Lorax 3D** (PG) 11:30,4:10,9:00
- **Dr. Seuss' the Lorax** (PG) 1:50,6:30

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- **The Hunger Games** (PG–13) 1:00,4:00,7:00,10:00
- **American Reunion** (R) ★ 12:20,2:40,5:00,7:20,9:50
- **Wrath of the Titans** (PG–13) ★ 1:00,3:10,5:20,7:30,9:45
- **Mirror Mirror** (PG) ★ 12:30,2:45,5:00,7:15,9:30

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- **Wrath of the Titans 3D** (PG–13) ◆ 10:30,1:30,4:25, 4:45,7:00,7:30,9:45,10:15
- **The Hunger Games** (PG–13) 10:15,11:45,12:45,1:50, 3:30,4:40,5:30,7:20,9:00,9:30
- **Mirror Mirror** (PG) 10:25,11:05,1:20,1:55,3:55,4:35,6:35, 7:25,9:20,10:10
- **American Reunion** (R) ◆ 10:25,1:35,4:30,7:30,10:20
- **Titanic 3D** (PG–13) 10:15,2:45,7:15
- **Wrath of the Titans** (PG–13) ◆ 11:00,2:00
- AMC Independent **Casa de Mi Padre** (R) 4:05 P.M.
- **Silent House** (R) 11:15,1:40,6:25,8:55
- AMC Independent **We the Party** (R) ◆ 10:40,1:20,4:05,6:50,9:40
- **A Thousand Words** (PG–13) 10:55,1:35,4:20,7:00,9:35
- **Dr. Seuss' the Lorax** (PG) ◆ 10:35,1:10,3:45,6:30,9:10
- **21 Jump Street** (R) 10:20,1:15,4:00,7:10,10:05

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- **Uncle Boonmee Who Can Recall His Past Lives** (NR) 6:00 P.M.
- **A Trip to the Moon** (NR) 6:15 P.M.
- **Four Lovers** (NR) 8:00 P.M.
- **Daylight Savings** (NR) 8:15 P.M.

LOGAN THEATRE
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- **Dr. Seuss' the Lorax** (PG) 1:00,3:00,5:00,7:00,9:00
- **Casa de Mi Padre** (R) 1:30,3:30,5:30,7:30,9:30
- **John Carter** (PG–13) 1:20,4:10,7:10,9:50
- **21 Jump Street** (R) 1:10,3:20,5:40,7:50,10:00

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- **Stairway to Heaven** (NR) 3:10,7:30
- **Black Narcissus** (NR) 5:20,9:40
- **The Salt of Life** (NR) 5:45 P.M.
- **The Kid With a Bike** (PG–13) 3:45,7:45,9:45
- **Wanderlust** (R) 12:00 Midnight
- **The FP** (R) 12:00 Midnight

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RIVER EAST 21 (AMC)
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- **Wrath of the Titans 3D** (PG–13) 10:30,11:45,1:00, 2:15,3:45,5:00,6:30,7:45,9:15,10:30,12:00
- **The Hunger Games** (PG–13) 10:30,11:45,12:30,1:15, 2:00,3:15,4:45,5:30,6:45,7:30,8:15,9:00,10:15,11:45,12:15
- **Mirror Mirror** (PG) 10:35,12:15,1:15,3:10,4:10,6:00,7:00,8:40,11:15
- **American Reunion** (R) ◆ 10:00,11:00,12:00,1:00,2:00, 3:00,4:00,5:00,6:00,7:00,8:00,9:00,10:00,11:00,12:00
- **Titanic 3D** (PG–13) 10:00,12:30,2:30,5:00,7:00,8:15,9:30,10:15,11:35
- **Wrath of the Titans** (PG–13) 11:15,1:40,4:15,7:15,10:00
- AMC Independent **Jeff, Who Lives at Home** (R) ◆ 1:10,5:45
- AMC Independent **The Raid: Redemption** (R) 11:15,1:40,4:10,6:35,9:10,11:40
- AMC Independent **Friends With Kids** (R) ◆ 10:20,1:05,3:55,7:05
- AMC Independent **Salmon Fishing in the Yemen** (PG–13) ◆ 10:40,3:20
- **Dr. Seuss' the Lorax 3D** (PG) 10:05,12:15,2:25,4:45,6:55,9:15,11:35
- AMC Independent **We the Party** (R) 10:15,12:55,3:35,6:15,8:55,11:35
- **Love in the Buff** (NR) 10:50,1:20,3:40,6:05,8:40,11:05
- **John Carter 3D** (PG–13) ◆ 9:55 P.M.
- **21 Jump Street** (R) 10:00,11:40,2:35,4:35,5:35,8:30,10:55,11:25

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- **John Carter** (PG–13) 10:45 P.M.
- **Wrath of the Titans 3D** (PG–13) 11:10,1:40,4:10,6:45,9:40
- **The Hunger Games** (PG–13) 10:05,10:50,11:40,12:35, 1:35,2:25,3:25,4:05,5:10,6:00,6:55,7:50,8:50,9:35,10:20,11:15
- **Mirror Mirror** (PG) 10:20,11:20,12:20,1:20,2:20,3:20,4:20, 5:20,6:20,8:00,9:20,11:05
- **American Reunion** (R) 10:15,11:15,12:15,1:15,2:15, 3:15,4:15,5:15,6:15,7:15,8:15,9:10,10:10,11:10
- **Project X** (R) 8:20 P.M.
- **Titanic 3D** (PG–13) 11:00,3:35,8:10
- **Wrath of the Titans** (PG–13) 10:00,12:25,3:00,5:40,8:30,11:20
- AMC Independent **Salmon Fishing in the Yemen** (PG–13) 12:45,6:10
- AMC Independent **October Baby** (PG–13) 1:10,6:30
- **Dr. Seuss' the Lorax 3D** (PG) 10:30,3:30,8:25
- AMC Independent **Casa de Mi Padre** (R) 10:40,3:50,9:15
- **Titanic: An IMAX 3D Experience** (PG–13) 10:00,2:30,7:00
- **Dr. Seuss' the Lorax** (PG) 11:05,1:00,5:50,10:50
- **21 Jump Street** (R) 10:10,1:30,3:10,5:00,7:40,9:00,10:30,11:30

WEBSTER PLACE 11 (REGAL)
1471 W. Webster Ave., Chicago
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- **The Three Stooges** (PG) Advance Tickets Available
- **Marvel's the Avengers** (NR) Advance Tickets Available
- **American Reunion** (R) 1:20,2:10,4:10,4:50,7:00,7:40,9:40,10:20
- **Titanic 3D** (PG–13) 1:00,1:50,5:10,6:00,9:15,10:00
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- **Dr. Seuss' the Lorax** (PG) 10:15,2:10,5:00,8:35,11:05
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Nothing new in this coming-of-age story

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We the Party
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Raise your hand, all current and aspiring filmmakers, and repeat: "I, (your name here), pledge to never include a group of high school guys making a bet about who can lose their virginity first. If I can find a new, fresh way to do this, I still promise not to make a plot point out of the main character's crush finding out about the bet."

Great, glad that's settled. Writer-director Mario Van Peebles' inclusion of such a hand-me-down teen movie cliche tells only half the story, though, since the filmmaker behind "New Jack City" and the terrific "Baadasssss!" wants "We the Party" to mostly serve as a story about character and social priorities. Sixteen-year-old Hendrix (Mandela Van Peebles, Mario's son) dreams of buying a car and taking Cheyenne (Simone Battle), the hottest and smartest girl in his L.A.-area high school, to the prom. But Hendrix's dad/teacher (Mario Van Peebles) cares more about Hendrix boosting his grades and realizing that "Minimum effort now means minimum wage later."

So the movie bounces back and forth between standard coming-of-age stuff—can you believe Cheyenne falls for Hendrix while tutoring him, and someone takes an escort to the prom?—and higher-brow subject matter, such as a scene in which Hendrix and Cheyenne interview homeless people to get a sense of perspective. "Do you feel your life has been a success?" may not be the best opening question.

Van Peebles recognizes kids' dreams of fame as rappers, singers or otherwise while emphasizing the unlikelihood of fame. At its best, "We the Party" serves as a sobering bridge between the short-sightedness of adolescence and the realities that gradually set in, ideally with parental guidance.

That often comes off as a lecture. Lines like "Smart is the new gangsta" clash with the movie's reliance on teen movie stereotypes and a prank stolen right out of "Freaks and Geeks." Plus, closing by joining two overweight characters in a relationship just to make a joke about them enjoying an all-you-can-eat buffet hardly qualifies as the sort of progressive, intellectual comedy Van Peebles has in mind. Well, when he doesn't show a kid puking in a punch bowl.

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Steven Strait (left) and Jeffrey Dean Morgan in 'Magic City'

Magic moments

Poof! New Starz drama makes the cliches vanish

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Magic City
9 p.m. Friday, Starz

"Magic City" pours a potent cocktail of celebrities, beautiful (nude) women, mobsters, handsome (semi-nude) men, politicians and FBI agents into at swank Miami Beach hotel in the late 1950s.

Although you've tasted many of the ingredients before (in "The Sopranos," "Mad Men," "The Godfather" movies), creator Mitch Glazer mixes in enough new elements to keep things tasty. Throw in the exquisite sets, period cars, stunning costumes and generally fine acting, and "Magic City" could become quite intoxicating.

The slick series begins on New Year's Eve 1958 at the luxurious Miramar Playa Hotel, where owner Isaac "Ike" Evans (Jeffrey Dean Morgan) lives with his gorgeous wife, Vera (Olga Kurylenko), and three children. Ike is in a pickle: With just a few hours before Frank Sinatra is set to perform two shows, the local union is striking outside the hotel and Ike can't get his old union buddy to shut it down.

So Ike reluctantly turns to the devil who helped him build his dream-come-true in the first place—ruthless mob boss Ben "The Butcher" Diamond (Danny Huston). Ben has fled his casinos in Cuba as Fidel Castro's revolution threatens to take over the country. He's back in Miami ready to sink his claws into the city.

"I want more," Ben warns Ike, talking specifically about control of the hotel. "That's what I've always wanted; I've always wanted more."

Huston plays Ben with a searing intensity that burns the character's image into your brain. When Ike's womanizing oldest son, Stevie (Steven Strait), meets Ben's new young wife, Lily (Jessica Marais), and she purrs, "I'm the wrong woman," you agree while picturing Ben fatally interrupting any tryst they might have.

Ben's all menace and gluttony, and as enjoyable as it is to watch Huston chew scenery, I hope he eventually finds more subtle shadings in his character, as Morgan has with Ike. He strikes a nice balance between sweetness, worry and ruthlessness; Ike is basically a good guy forced to get his hands dirty to save his dream.

"Magic City" really sparkles when the charismatic Morgan is onscreen. He and Strait do subtle character work in a well-written scene where Stevie, having been thrown for a loop by Lily, asks Ike whether it was love at first sight when he met his now-deceased first wife, Stevie's mom.

"No," Ike answers, drawing a disappointed look from Stevie. "What you're talking about, that only happened with Vera."

The scene is touching, honest and a little surprising, but it shows the respect Ike has for his son and family. It sets up another tender, telling moment between the two later. When Ike messes Stevie's hair to say both thanks and congratulations, Stevie leans his head into Ike's hand. It's a simple, moving gesture that speaks volumes about both characters.

Both scenes, too, show that some of the cliches at play in "Magic City"—Strait's seemingly rote bad boy, for example—are transformed into something more in the blink of an eye.

"Magic City" may have its flaws, but magical moments like these will have me checking in to the Miramar Playa every Friday.

Jennifer Love Hewitt in 'The Client List'

Abs and that's it

The Client List
9 p.m. Sunday, Lifetime

Remember when Jennifer Love Hewitt starred in "Ghost Whisperer" and helped ghosts move on to the other side? She was a sweet, empathetic medium.

In "The Client List," she's a sweet, empathetic masseuse (who closes with a happy ending). So, more bluntly, she's a hooker with a heart of gold. OK, more succinctly, she's the John Whisperer.

Hewitt plays Riley, a woman who lands a job as a massage therapist at The Rub spa to help pay the bills because her hubby (Brian Hallisay) is out of work. She's a legit therapist until he leaves her, then she decides to offer the "extras" that will get her the big tips. That's when her clientele changes from wrinkly old folks of both sexes to the hottest, buffest young men on Sunday night TV.

We never really learn what kind of extras she provides for this sexy clientele, but she does offer them advice about their marriages, girlfriends or whatever other problems they need to get off their chests.

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ARE DALE AND CHUY TURNING LAKEVIEW INTO A 'TOP CHEF' RESTAURANT ROW?

BROADWAY ON TOP

By Erin Gibbons
FOR REDEYE

They both made Chicago proud on Bravo's "Top Chef." They both became known on said show for saying exactly what was on their minds. And now Dale Levitski and Chuy Valencia are both bringing their colorful personalities and inventive food to a stretch of North Broadway in Lakeview that's ready for a breath of fresh air.

Last week, Sprout executive chef Levitski opened French-American bistro Frog N Snail (3124 N. Broadway) with partner Mike Causevic. Valencia, who until recently was the chef at Chilam Balam (3023 N. Broadway), said he's in talks with coffeehouse entrepreneur Philip Tadros (Dollop, Kickstand) to team up on a new cafeteria/coffee shop/microbrewery concept. He wants to stay on Broadway and is in the process of securing a location just south of Belmont but hopes to eventually franchise.

Both chefs live in Lakeview, have dined at each other's restaurants and occasionally run into each other on the street, but they were quick to dismiss questions about whether some friendly competition is brewing on Broadway.

"I think if anything, it's, 'Let's get some more people in here,' " Levitski said. "The more, the merrier. Randolph [Street] is just stacked with big name after big name, and I think this neighborhood is ripe for the picking."

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DALE LEVITSKI

Age: 39

"Top Chef" chops: On Season 3, Levitski was runner-up to Hung Huynh along with fellow cheftestant Casey Thompson. He returned for Season 8's "Top Chef All-Stars."

Best known for: Being competitive and outspoken. Perhaps his most memorable quote: "I'm a big gay chef, and I'm gonna out-cook your ass."

Frog N Snail in one sentence: "A French-American neighborhood bistro."

What's in a name? "I think 'frog' and 'snail' are two things that automatically make you think French food." Levitski also wanted the name to reflect that this is the first restaurant he's taken from conception to launch (at Sprout, he stepped in after opening). "It's about little boys made of frogs and snails and puppy dog tails," he said. "So it's kind of like, little guy got all grown up."

The food: Whereas Sprout is "all about pushing our boundaries creatively, this restaurant is about pulling back, so I'm doing much more simple food here," he explained. Expect modern bistro staples such as steak frites and French onion soup, as well as inventive twists on the classics; Levitski is especially excited about his "beef on beef" take on beef stroganoff: braised short ribs with homemade pappardelle, mushrooms, tarragon and madeira cream, all topped with a pepper-crusted petite filet. And don't forget the frogs and snails. Levitski considers it a "good omen" that his appetizer of crispy frog legs, snails and kale, leek and green peppercorn ragout was the first dish ordered on opening day.

What's next: Although Levitski is focused on getting Frog up and running, he said a dream project would be to open a restaurant on New York's Union Square. "The farmers' market is right there, and if I ever ventured out of Chicago, that would be the one that I would want.'"

What people say when they recognize him on the street: "We filmed Season 3 almost five years ago, and I still always get, 'You should've won!' The funny thing is, ironically enough, there was a rerun of the Season 3 finale on our opening day that I didn't know about, and my Facebook page kind of blew up, like, 'You should've won!' I think I just did—I just opened my second restaurant."

LENNY GILMORE/REDEYE

CHUY VALENCIA

Age: 26

"Top Chef" chops: Valencia was one of six Chicago chefs to compete on Season 9.

Best known for: Telling stories about his dad. "My dad's a jack of all trades, master of all," he explained. "He has a lot of wisdom. My favorite thing that he always told me was, 'Son, I don't care if you're a janitor, but be the best one.' Stuff like that always motivated me."

The new restaurant in one sentence: A "really hearty, kind of Midwest, but sort of modern-day Chicago take on diner classics and cafeteria food."

What's in a name? Valencia said he's in the process of trademarking the name of his new company, Ursa—as in the constellations Ursa Minor and Ursa Major, to signify "minor projects, major projects and everything in between." No word yet on the name of the restaurant.

The food: Although Chilam Balam was featured on the Food Network's "Diners, Drive-ins and Dives," it sounds like Valencia's new concept may be a bit more convincing in the category. The cafeteria-style joint will fresh-roast coffee up front, operate a two-kettle brewery in back and serve up old-school dishes (undoubtedly updated, if we know Valencia) like buttered noodles, lasagna, patty melts and meatball sandwiches.

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What's next: In addition to pursuing the new restaurant, Valencia's working on a book tentatively titled "M.E.A.L.S.: Menus, Entrees, Anecdotes, Lies and Some truth to protect the innocent and equally evil." He plans to shop it around to publishers this spring, with hopes that it'll land on shelves by Christmas. In the meantime, catch him next door to Chilam Balam at Monsignor Murphy's, where he's making "cameo appearances" bartending in the outdoor beer garden.

What people say when they recognize you on the street: "They always ask me: Padma or Gail?" he said. And? "Oh, I would pick Gail. I like 'em thick like a milkshake. I don't like no bag o' bones. ... That's what Padma is—too bony. Gail is such a sweetheart. She's so sincere, she's so humble, so nice, you know, very personable. ... She's Canadian, you know?"

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Chuy Valencia's former Season 9 competitor, Grayson Schmitz, is relocating from New York to Chicago with plans to open an event space for private parties and cooking classes, according to a Tribune report.

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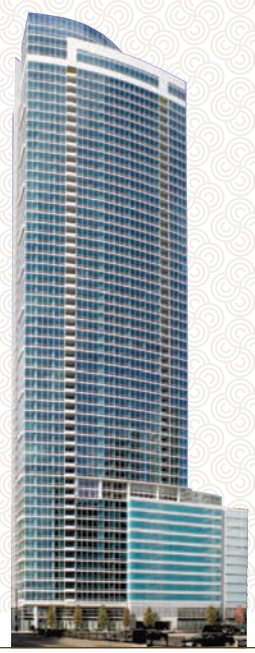

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FOOL'S GOLD, Monday, May 21 ($10, 21+) at Schubas.

ON SALE 5 P.M. FRIDAY

RICKIE LEE JONES, Sunday, June 10 ($38-$78, all ages) at Space.

TODD PARK MOHR, Saturday, June 23 ($20-$34, all ages) at Space.

DAVE SPECTER, JOHN PRIMER, Wednesday, June 6 ($12-$22, all ages) at Space.

ON SALE 10 A.M. SATURDAY

* **BRUCE HORNSBY AND THE NOISEMAKERS,** Sunday, June 17 ($38.50, 18+) at Park West.

DARK STAR ORCHESTRA, Saturday, July 7 ($25, 18+) at Park West.

* **MARINA AND THE DIAMONDS, MSMR,** Saturday, July 21 ($22, all ages) at Park West.

* **WILCO, ANDREW BIRD, THE CONGREGATION,** Sunday, July 8 ($50, all ages) at Fifth Third Bank Ballpark, Geneva, Ill.

ON SALE NOON SATURDAY

ELIOT LIPP, INTEL, MAKER, BIG ONCE, Thursday, May 17 ($5-$12, 21+) at Smart Bar.

PROSUMER, SASSMOUTH, Saturday, May 19 ($7-$15, 21+) at Smart Bar.

JOE PURDY, THE GIVING TREE BAND, Friday, June 29 ($18-$20, 21+) at Double Door.

TODD TERRY, BEAR WHO?, Friday, May 18 ($7-$15, 21+) at Smart Bar.

ON SALE NOW

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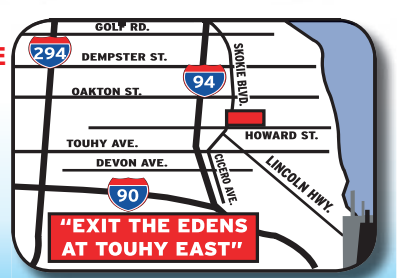

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Don't date your roommate

Anna Pulley
» redeye@tribune.com

Dear Anna,
I just started seeing this really fantastic girl. She's fun, smart, ambitious. It's too soon for us to be really serious, but I do like her a lot. Just one problem: She's my roommate. We're both 21, live in a house with three other people, and there's a strict "no couples" rule when we seek roommates. Like I said, we really like each other but it's only been a few weeks, and I don't think either one of us is up for making life changes for the relationship at this point, but we both want to see where it goes. What do we do? **—House of Pain**

Dear House of Pain,
It's common knowledge that dating or sleeping with a roommate is a terrible idea. It falls under the "Don't [bleep] where you eat" advice umbrella, along with not dating co-workers. If things go sour—and odds are firmly in that favor—you're left to deal with an awkward situation that could ultimately lead to one or both of you not having a place to live. Plus, when you date a roommate, you're not dating; you're cohabitating. You already know all about their questionable Etsy projects, that they pee on the toilet seat and that they love blasting Don Henley at 2 a.m.

Some people might look at this in a positive way and say, "Well, great! I already know the worst about this person, and it's better to find out about it sooner than later." To which I would say, "No seriously. He plays 'Witchy Woman' every night!" There's a reason we don't court in reverse.

On the other hand, it's really convenient to date someone who lives down the hall. Think of the cab fare you'll save! And no one but the cat will witness your walks of shame. But what if you want some alone time? What if you want to have your bed to yourself? Not to mention what will happen when you end up squabbling over the gas bill. Feelings get hurt a lot more easily when there aren't as many boundaries in place. To that end, please at least set a lot of clearly defined boundaries about what's acceptable.

I still would seriously caution against getting involved with a roommate. Breaking up may be hard to do, but packing up is harder. Unless you legitimately think you might marry her. But you're high on an endorphin cocktail right now, so you're probably not in a state to answer that. What you should ask yourself is this: What's the worst possible thing that could come from this? If the answer doesn't abjectly horrify you, then you might be able to handle it. Also, you're young. Now is the time to make mistakes! When you're older, people just think it's sad.

Want to ask Anna an anonymous question about love, sex or dating? Email your quandary to **redeyedating@gmail.com.**

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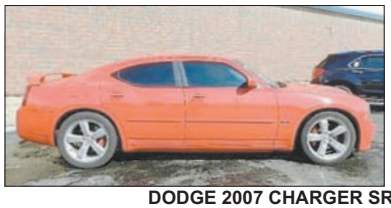

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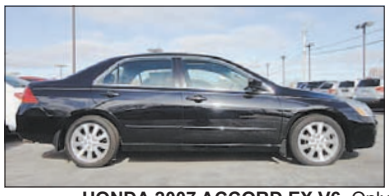

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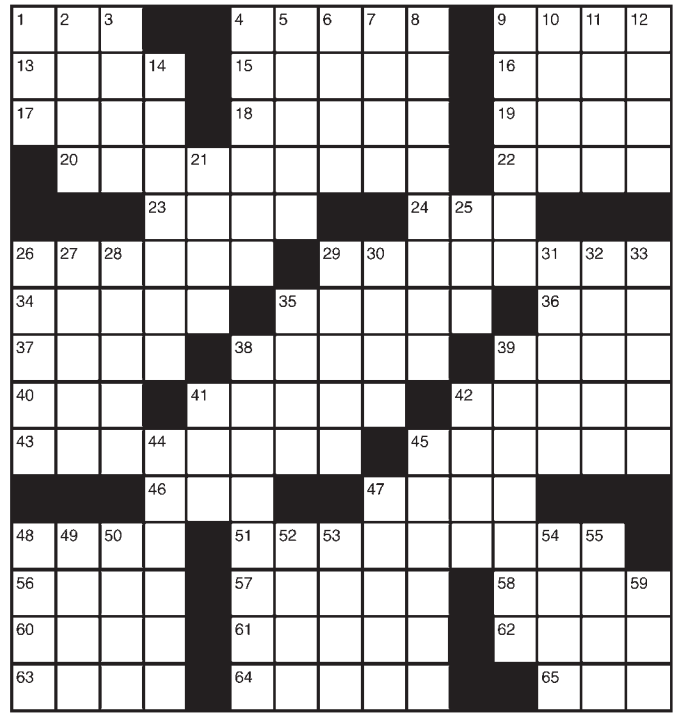
TODAY IN THE YEAR ...

1830: The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints was organized by Joseph Smith in Fayette, N.Y.
1896: The first modern Olympic Games formally opened in Athens, Greece.
1909: Explorers Robert Peary and Matthew Henson became the first men to reach the North Pole. (The claim, disputed by skeptics, was upheld in 1989 by the Navigation Foundation.)



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20 Ridiculous
22 Inquires
23 Circus shelter
24 Hearing organ
26 Positive; cheerful
29 Disadvantage
34 Ambulance's warning
35 Stays optimistic
36 Actress McClanahan
37 Wickedness
38 Boston _ beans
39 Ants & roaches
40 Actor Reiner
41 United
42 Cowboy's competition
43 Furtive; sneaky
45 Arbors
46 _ up with; tolerate
47 _ for; summon
48 Dubuque, _
51 Remember
56 Quarrel
57 Tests
58 Highway
60 Luxuriant
61 Greek "S"
62 Cylindrical tower
63 Catch sight of
64 _ bath; sauna
65 Badminton court divider

DOWN
1 Pale
2 Personalities
3 Finished
4 Bemoan
5 Lopsided
6 Femur or tibia
7 Conclusions
8 Reduced
9 African hunting quest
10 _ a test; passes easily
11 Skater's oval
12 _ up; makes sense
14 Elegant; noble
21 Actor Penn
25 Want _; newspaper section
26 _ manual; computer owner's booklet
27 Model's turn
28 Illegal payoff
29 _ pokey; kids' dance
30 Mocked
31 Vulgar
32 Boring tool
33 Mexican dollars
35 Chopped meat concoction
38 Wall-supporting structure
39 Hats for men
41 Respiratory woe
42 "_ Out the Barrel"
44 Indifference
45 _ fir; tree used for pulp
47 Punctuation mark
48 _ of Capri
49 Musical work
50 Stinging insect
52 Way out
53 Actor Nicolas _
54 Dime or quarter
55 Saga
59 Small "i" topper

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We kid, we kid—we're just having a lot of knee-jerk celeb reactions

By Dana Moran | REDEYE

You know those days when you fire up the Internet, head over to your favorite "news" site and are aghast at what you discover celebs doing? Yeah, Thursday was one of those days. Since we at RedEye aren't very good at controlling our emotions, take a peek at our knee-jerk reactions to some of the day's most ridiculous headlines—and then what happened when we had awhile to think about it. DAMORAN@TRIBUNE.COM | @REDEYEDANA

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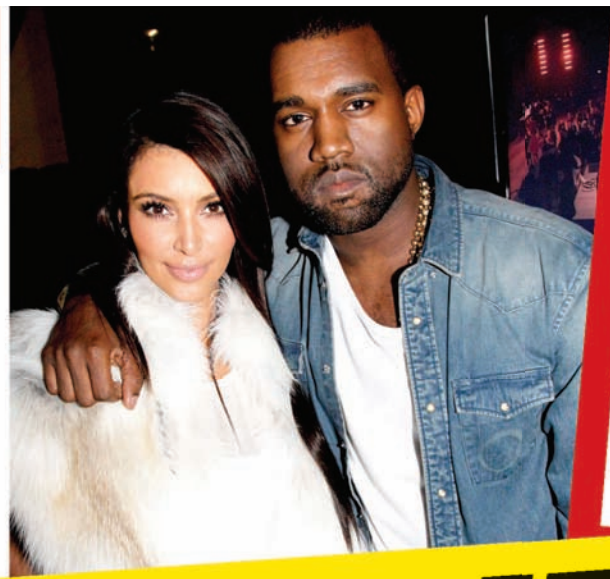

NEWS HEADLINE

KIM KARDASHIAN IS DATING KANYE WEST

Knee-jerk reaction: WHAT.

Considered reaction: Wait, did this all JUST happen in the approx. 15 hours since 'Ye's "Theraflu" dropped? Let's review: "I admit I fell in love with Kim/ 'Round the same time she fell in love with him/ Lucky I ain't had Jay drop him from the team." On second thought, Kanye totally should've stood up during the whole "speak now or forever hold your peace" part of that calamity.

WHAT'S UP, JERKS?

NEWS HEADLINE

TAYLOR LAUTNER TO JOIN ADAM SANDLER IN 'GROWN UPS 2'

Knee-jerk reaction: Well, this makes sense. They are the same emotional age.

Considered reaction: Is Taylor jealous of Adam's Razzie awards sweep? He won't be picking up any trophies anywhere else, and "Twilight" was nominated for a ton of stuff, so ...

NEWS HEADLINE

JENNIFER LOVE HEWITT CRUSHES ON ADAM LEVINE: 'I SHOULD MASSAGE HIM'

Knee-jerk reaction: Get in line, sister.

Considered reaction: No, really, get in line. Since Adam broke up with his frequently nearly-nude girlfriend Annie V. earlier this week, the ladies are already queueing up, and if you try to jump the line, you're going to get cut.

NEWS HEADLINE

MADONNA FLIRTS WITH BRITNEY SPEARS ON TWITTER: 'KISS ME AGAIN'

Knee-jerk reaction: Woman, we know you're old and desperate for album publicity, but come on! That's a taken Britney you've got there.

Considered reaction: Would we really call this flirting? E! has the most ridiculous headlines sometimes. There was a really excellent one last week about Suri Cruise jumping over a puddle. DOES SHE MAKE IT???

NEWS HEADLINE

MARY J. BLIGE: BURGER KING CHICKEN AD NOT WHAT I EXPECTED

Knee-jerk reaction: Did she order the original chicken sandwich? Because we ate SO many of those in college, and they were always amazing, as expected.

Considered reaction: OK, we can see how this ad could be construed as racist/offensive. Come on, Burger King! Wendy's already unseated you last month as the No. 2 burger joint in the nation; it's not the time to be making a fool of yourself.

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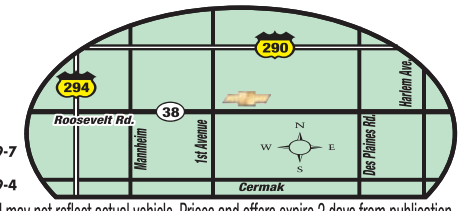

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THE DIGIT **$4.7 MILLION** That's how much "Titanic 3D" took in at the domestic box office Wednesday, according to **thr.com.**

Stick a fork in it

Still wondering if that buzzy band you love will appear at the Pitchfork Music Fest (July 13-15 in Union Park)? Wonder no more. Fest organizers announced the remainder of the lineup Thursday, with additions including Wild Flag, Beach House, Cults and Big K.R.I.T. If so inclined, now's the time to insert your own "meh."

High profile

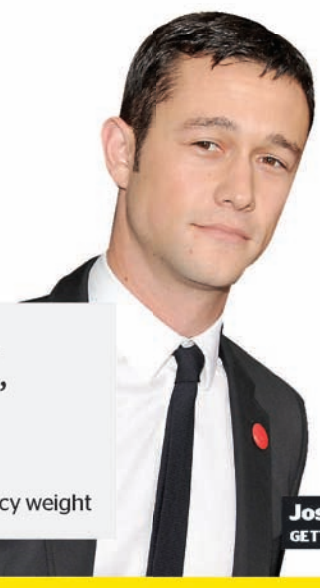
Beyonce is allowing fans a new, albeit controlled, look into her private life. On Thursday she launched a Tumblr page (**beyonce.tumblr.com**) featuring personal photos and musings, including one about "this beautiful blue tree. I think it's Blue Ivy, which will be quite appropriate" (a reference to her daughter's name).

CHICAGO GOES 'GLEE'

The cast of Oxygen's second season of "The Glee Project" has been released, and three people from Chicago made the cut. Included are 22-year-old mildly autistic Charlie; 18-year-old Michael, who's played at the House of Blues; and 19-year-old Aylin, who hails from a Muslim Turkish family. Also in the cast are a transgender boy, a blind boy and a girl who's paralyzed from the waist down. Is it bad we find these people WAY more interesting than the actual Glee cast?

"When women are pregnant, people need to lay off."

—**Tori Spelling**, to **celebuzz.com**, on the fascination with Jessica Simpson's pregnancy weight



Joseph Gordon-Levitt
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He's the boss

Joseph Gordon-Levitt is dropping out of Quentin Tarantino's next film, "Django Unchained," but he's got a good excuse: He's directing his first feature film, **ew.com** reports. The Dapper One also will star alongside Scarlett Johansson in his movie, "Don Jon's Addiction," which **imdb.com** describes as a "contemporary Don Juan-type" attempting to become less selfish.

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